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SUBJECT: CBS INTERVIEW WITH SHAH

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SISCO

1. BOB MCCLOSKEY AFTER COUNSELING WITH FRIENDS FELT IT WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO TALK TO DICK SALENT ABOUT THE WALLACE INTERVIEW PROBLEM. HE DID, HOWEVER, CALL WALLACE DIRECTLY IN AN EFFORT TO PUT HIM INTO A RECEPTIVE MOOD FOR A TELEPHONE CALL FROM ZAHEDI (THIS SCENARIO HAD BEEN AGREED UPON IN PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH ZAHEDI).

2. WE EXPECT TO GET A PLAYBACK OF THE ZAHEDI-WALLACE CONVERSATION SHORTLY AFTER IT OCCURS WHICH SHOULD BE EVENING OF THE 20TH OR SOMETIME THE 21ST. ON THE BASIS OF MCCLOSKEY'S CONVERSATION WITH WALLACE, HOWEVER, AND THE SECRET

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MEDIA'S ATTITUDE TOWARD QUESTIONS OF THIS SORT, WITH WHICH

YOU ARE ONLY ALL TOO FAMILIAR, WE CANNOT BE SANGUINE ABOUT
A HAPPY OUTCOME. RUSH

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